

PROTEST AGAINST PRICE OF TOBACCO

RETAIL DEALERS ACCUSED OF
TAKING ADVANTAGE OF
HELPLESS CONSUMERS

London, May 2. — (Correspondence of "The Associated Press.")—The most unpopular persons in England at the present day are the retail tobacco dealers. They are accused of the most brazen stroke of war profiteering that has yet been achieved. The budget introduced last week raised the tax on tobacco by forty-four cents a pound. Thereupon almost all of the dealers announced a raise in prices averaging one cent a pound. The dealers take advantage of an extra tax to charge the consumer the tax and also an extra profit of 20 cents a pound. The consumers are indignant, but as the dealers generally hang together, the consumers have no remedy except to stop using tobacco. There is an additional grievance in that a large proportion of the tobacco used in England is consumed by the soldiers in training, on leave, or in hospitals, and purchased by home people to send to their soldiers at the front. The profits resulting from this increased tax really work out at more than 20 cents a pound, because both the tax and profit are charged on all the tobacco in stock which paid duty at the old rate. So that, on

the stocks in hand when the duty was raised, the dealers are making a new profit of 44 cents a pound. The tobacco trade will make about \$55,000,000 a year for collecting the new duty which is expected to yield \$30,000,000 revenue, according to the estimates of a correspondent of the Daily Mail. He figures also that the traders have about 44,000,000 pounds in stock on which they will charge the new duty to consumers, without having paid it themselves.

NO GAMES PLAYED IN THE MAJOR LEAGUES YESTERDAY

(By Associated Press.)
CHICAGO, May 29.—Not a major league baseball game was played yesterday. Four contests in the National League were called off because of rain, and in the American League rain also prevented the only scheduled contest, the game between Philadelphia and New York. It was the first time in several years that the majors faced a similar situation. Most of the clubs play double headers today.

STANDARD OIL ORDERED TO REMOVE BIG TANKS

(By Associated Press.)
MEXICO CITY, May 29.—The Standard Oil company has been ordered by the department of commerce and industry to remove about 50 oil tanks erected in the Tampico field. These tanks, the department declares, were erected without permission and were not erected according to government standards. It is said the tanks cost approximately \$500,000 to construct.

COUNTY EXEMPTION BOARDS ORDERED

REGULATIONS FOR ENFORCING
THE SELECTIVE DRAFT ARE
NEARLY COMPLETED

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., May 29.—Regulations to govern exemptions under the selective draft are being worked out by Provost Marshal General Crowder, with a number of prominent lawyers. Although the plans are not yet complete, it is probable that the jury wheel system will be followed in selecting those who are to go in the first army of 500,000 and not until the names have been drawn and each registration district has provided the number apportioned to it will exemptions be considered. As each individual in drawn reports, his claim for exemption will be passed upon and if he is exempted, another will be drawn to fill the vacancy. The law provides for local exemption boards in each county and for each 30,000 in city populations. Board of review also will be established on the basis of one or more to each federal judicial district. All the boards will be composed of civilians. Secretary Baker says the process of selecting them had not been worked out. Gen. Crowder says that only confusion would result from the reported intention of men above the fixed age to register on June 5. "This is mistaken patriotism," he

said, "and registrars will be instructed to accept cards only from men between the ages of 21 and 30 inclusive."

MOTOR CAR SEEN IN DEFENCE OF NATION

Probably no more opportune time could have been selected for showing the motion picture, "The Motor Car in Defense of the Nation," which will appear at the Liberty theater tomorrow.

Not only does the picture reveal the wide adaptability of the motor car to measures of national defence but it affords frequent thrills in its graphic portrayal of the dangers that may be encountered by the "military motorist" in time of war. The scene showing a motor car being bombed by an aeroplane is typical, although an even more exciting moment occurs when the same car, pursued by enemy outposts, leaps over the edge of a 100-foot cliff into the ocean.

The defence picture was made during the great wave of preparedness that saturated the east recently. C. S. Henshaw, prominent business man of Boston, conceived the idea that the motor car could be used to great advantage in military and naval operations. He immediately dispatched a car on a "preparedness tour" of the New England states, the occupants bearing a message from Governor McCall to each of the other state executives.

In every particular "The Motor Car in Defense of the Nation" is both interesting and inspiring. The film is distributed by Dodge Brothers, Detroit, for the benefit of their dealers and it was the Tonopah Auto

PROGRAMME FOR MEMORIAL DAY

Tomorrow will be observed with greater solemnity than ever before. The program does not contemplate a parade or other outdoor demonstration, since it is the object to impress patriotism rather than conduct a celebration on the line of previous years. In fact the arrangements contemplate getting back to the original form by which the deeds of the old soldiers who died for their country will be recalled and the present generation inspired with a sense of their own obligations to country and flag. The chief feature of the day will be the exercises of the Women's Relief Corps at the Butler Theater beginning at 10 o'clock. This service will be shared by the school children, for whom seats will be reserved and everybody is invited. The program will be as follows: Invocation, Rev. R. W. Bayless; piano solo, Mrs. Frank Dunn; recitation, Mrs. Mary Naylor Brown; vocal solo, Mrs. Lenore S. Hanby; patriotic remarks, Frank T. Dunn; song, school children; benediction, Rev. Harlan Bailey.

The Knights of Columbus will attend mass at St. Patrick's church in a body at 9 o'clock, when Father Dias will deliver a special patriotic discourse.

Supply Co., Dodge Brothers dealers of this city who arranged the book-

CAPACITY HOUSES GREET GREAT CINEMA SPECTACLE

Three capacity houses greeted "Civilization" at the Butler theater yesterday afternoon and evening. The picture was everything that was claimed for it and the tenderness and reverence with which the sacred sentiment of peace and good will to all men was presented appealed to the houses which watched in awe the unfolding of the drama. The lesson conveyed was intensely patriotic and at the finale, before the lights were turned down the appearance of President Wilson brought the audience to a wild pitch of enthusiasm. The music was sublime and the orchestra, under the leadership of Milton Jacob, received its share of applause.

MEXICAN LAWMEN DEMAND MORE SALARY

(By Associated Press.)
MEXICO CITY, May 29.—Taking into consideration the high cost of living, a number of the members of congress have started a movement for an increase of their salaries June 1. A bill shortly will be introduced increasing the salary of a deputy from 16½ pesos a day to 20 pesos.

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